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Chairman Robert G. Taub,  
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Commissioner Tony Hammond, and  
Commissioner Nanci E. Langley  
United States of America  
Postal Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20268-0001

RE: Statutory Review of the System  
for Regulating Rates and Classes  
for Market Dominant Products

Docket No. RM2017-3

Dear Mr. Chairman and Commissioners:

On December 1, 2017 the PRC issued Order No. 4258 (*Notice of Proposed Rulemaking For The System For Regulating Rates and Classes For Market Dominant Product*), as a part of the above captioned Docket. On that same day, the PRC also issued Order No. 4257 (*Order On The Findings And Determination Of The 39 U. S. C. Sec. 3622 Review.*)

In Order No. 4258, the PRC ordered that comments regarding the proposed rulemaking are due no later than March 1, 2018. The purpose of my letter is to request that the PRC extend the comment period for a minimum of six (6) months, until September 1, 2018, at the earliest.

The purpose of my letter is not to make every argument in support of my request for a 6 month extension of the comment period; however, I would point out that the PRC order affects virtually every citizen in the United States who uses the United States Postal Service, that the Order in this Docket took almost one year for the PRC to prepare, and that a ninety day comment period (from December 1, 2017 until March 1, 2018) is simply not adequate, not reasonable or fair to the citizens of the United States who use the USPS.

Thank you for your consideration of my request, and please consider this an official comment and request in this Docket.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Russell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning of the word "Steve".

Steve Russell  
Member of Congress